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Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption of Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

File No. 82-3507

Dear sirs,

In connection with Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.'s exemption, pursuant to Rule 12g3·2(b), from the registration and reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and in compliance with its ongoing requirements under Rule 12g3-2(b)(1)(iii), enclosed please find the following information:

1. Consolidated Interim Financial Statements.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

Mamoru Shinagawa

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Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd.

The Bank of New York

#### Consolidated Interim Balance Sheet, as of September 30, 2004 (Unaudited)

#### Assets:

	Mi	Millions of yen		Thousands of U.S. dollars	
Current assets:	¥	585,796	\$	5,272,694	
Cash and time deposits		47,721		429,532	
Notes and accounts receivable		168,282		1,514,690	
Marketable securities		11		97	
Inventories		297,464		2,677,445	
Other		72,890		656,082	
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(572)		(5,152)	
Fixed assets:		1,353,125		12,179,337	
Property, plant and equipment, at cost:		1,013,196		9,119,677	
Buildings and structures		253,311		2,280,022	
Machinery and equipment		382,277		3,440,839	
Land		340,525		3,065,033	
Other		37,083		333,783	
Intangibles:		7,523		67,709	
Investments and other assets:		332,406		2,991,951	
Investment securities		252,791		2,275,344	
Other		80,465		724,258	
Allowance for doubtful accounts		(850)		(7,651)	
Deferred assets:		50		452	
Total	¥	1,938,971	\$	17,452,483	

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#### Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity:

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Current liabilities:	¥	865,866	\$	7,793,571
Notes and accounts payable		247,120		2,224,296
Short-term borrowings		413,586		3,722,648
Current portion of long-term debt		96,600		869,487
Other		108,560		977,140
Long-term liabilities and reserves:		635,751		5,722,334
Bonds		98,600		887,489
Long-term borrowings		442,076		3,979,086
Liability for employees' retirement benefits		32,455		292,121
Reserve for rebuilding furnaces		4,250		38,257
Other		58,370		525,381
Total liabilities		1,501,617		13,515,905
Minority interests		24,219		217,995
Capital		262,072		2,358,887
Capital surplus		61,897		557,130
Retained earnings		49,903		449,171
Land revaluation surplus		16,277	•	146,505
Net unrealized gain on available-for-sale securities		26,465		238,210
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(3,317)		(29,856)
Treasury stock, at cost		(162)		(1,464)
Total shareholders' equity:	•	413,135		3,718,583
Total	¥	1,938,971	\$	17,452,483

# Consolidated Interim Statement of Income (Unaudited) (For the six-month period ended September 30, 2004)

		Millions of yen	Thousands of U.S. dollars	
Recurring profit and loss				
Operating income and expenses:				
Revenues:	¥	573,911	\$	5,165,718
Sales		573,911		5,165,718
Cost and expenses:		(495,586)		(4,460,720)
Cost of sales		(432,320)		(3,891,266)
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(63,266)		(569,454)
Operating profit		78,325		704,998
Non-operating income and expenses:		•		
Non-operating income:		12,403		111,637
Interest and dividend income		2,566		23,097
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries		6,987		62,889
and associated companies Other		2,850		25,651
Non-operating expenses:		(19,101)		(171,926)
Interest expense	•	(9,379)		(84,419)
Other		(9,722)		(87,507)
Recurring profit		71,627		644,709
Non-recurring profit and loss				·.
Non-recurring profit		3,436		30,924
Gain on sales of investment securities		3,436		30,924
Non-recurring loss		(3,268)		(29,410)
Provision for employees' retirement benefit		(3,268)		(29,410)
Income before income taxes and minority interests	s	71,795		646,223
Income taxes:		(25,817)		(232,376)
Current		(5,102)		(45,925)
Deferred		(20,715)		(186,451)
Minority interests		(857)		(7,719)
Net income	¥	45,121	\$	406,128

## Consolidated Interim Statement of Cash Flows (Unaudited) (For the six-month period ended September 30, 2004)

	Millions of yen	Thousands of U.S. dollars	
Operating activities:			
Income before income taxes and minority interests	¥ 71,795	\$	646,223
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and amortization	38,346		345,149
Interest and dividend income	(2,566)		(23,097)
Interest expense	9,379	i.	84,419
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated	(6,987)		(62,889)
subsidiaries and associated companies			
Changes in assets and liabilities-			
Decrease in receivables	27,137		244,254
Increase in inventories	(31,833)		(286,529)
Increase in payables	22,288		200,612
Other, net	2,806		25,259
Net cash provided by operating activities	130,365		1,173,401
Investing activities:			
Interest and dividends received	3,838		34,552
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment			
and other assets	(31,758)		(285,852)
Other, net	12,798		115,193
Net cash used in investing activities	(15,122)		(136,107)
Financing activities:			
Interest paid	(9,644)		(86,807)
Decrease in short-term bank loans	(122,278)		(1,100,612)
and long-term debt			
Other, net	(9,857)		(88,719)
Net cash used in financing activities	(141,779)		(1,276,138)
Foreign currency translation adjustments on cash			
and cash equivalents	75		676
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(26,461)		(238,168)
Cash and cash equivalents of newly consolidated subsidiarie	s 27		244
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	74,026		666,297
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	¥ 47,592	\$	428,373

The above represents a translation, for convenience only, of the original report issued in Japanese language. The United States dollar amounts included herein represent translations using the approximate exchange rate at September 30, 2004 of ¥111.1= U.S.\$1, solely for convenience.